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18               This communication is in response to the Office Action dated August 21,  
19   2006. The three-month shortened statutory period for response to the Office  
20   Action is set for November 21, 2006.

21               **Amendments to the Claims** begin at page 2 of this paper.

22               **Remarks** begin at page 5 of this paper.